

Among the favorite indoor sports of American citizens is the village of criticizing our public officials.

The Michigan State Legislature, in its fourth month of session, is not immune. The Legislature has been under periodic attack from critics because of the relatively small record of bills to date.

Activity of the finance committees of the House and Senate has been almost at a standstill, as legislators await the outcome of the Supreme Court's consideration of a sales tax amendment, now on appeal. It has been impossible to proceed in the normal way, because of the uncertainty of whether a controversial amendment could be sustained or held invalid by the court. This situation has been entirely out of the Legislature's control, thus there would appear to be no justification for criticism directed at the Legislature accordingly.

What seems to be more important, as we see it, is the gradual encroachment on Legislative power by pressure groups—through the constitutional diversion or earmarking of public funds.

This fact came home forcibly to us recently when we spent an evening conversing with Michigan's new budget director, John Perkins. Mr. Perkins started us by declaring that the Office of the Budget devoted its entire attention to only 30 percent of the state-collected revenue. There was little to be done, he pointed out, about the remainder of state funds—70%—because this money had been earmarked by law through the state constitution or the state constitution and hence automatically was reserved by the state treasurer for specified expenditures.

The idea that the state budget director and the Legislature must confine their consideration and earmarking to only 30% of funds collected by the State of Michigan does not make much sense to a business man. It would seem inevitable that further spread of such constitutional earmarking of public funds will reduce the State Legislature to the absurd position of expending but a small fraction of public taxes. Surely the founders of the State and the authors of the State's constitution never envisioned this situation when they created the basic charter which now governs our activity.

State Treasurer D. Hale Brake has declared repeatedly that Michigan's financial situation is due to constitutional earmarking of its revenue source of revenue, was unique in the United States to the extent that no other state was so plagued.

As has been pointed out repeatedly, the public has been confused by the collection of large sums of money by the State of Michigan with its resultant deposit in the State Treasury at Lansing. Governor Kim Sigler pointed out in February, in a message to the Legislature, that while state expenditures had increased 151% since adoption of the sales tax, the large bulk of this had been returned to local governments in the proportion of \$138,000,000 to the \$30,000,000 retained by the State.

It is the thesis of Governor Kim Sigler that Michigan's tax problem is due in part to the crazy-quilt pattern, built up through the years, whereby government attempts to finance additional public services in a make-shift fashion.

To quote Governor Sigler, "From the time Michigan ceased to be exclusively an agricultural state until its full bloom industrially, there has been an ever-increasing spiral of demands for money."

"We have completely overloaded our antiquated tax structure, and the props we have put under it from time to time are threatening to give way and let the financial house fall down upon our heads. Now you and I did not create this problem. We only inherited it."

Declaring that Michigan can not long continue to grow and prosper under the handicap of an antiquated tax and financial structure, Governor Sigler recommended to the Legislature that steps be taken to revise the State Constitution in the light of modern industrial conditions.

In so doing, the Governor declared that we should give "full understanding to the problems of the schools" as well as "the present financial plight of the cities of Michigan."

In this reasoning the Governor urged the Legislature to create a Constitutional Revision Commission with full power and authority to study the problem of revising our basic charter to the end that "a revised and modernized constitution maintaining a coordinated system of taxation shall be submitted to the people of Michigan in the general election of 1948."

It is likewise evident that the beneficiaries of earmarking of funds will oppose such a move to revise the State Constitution.

In the meanwhile, unless a solution can be forthcoming from the State Supreme Court, the Legislature will be crippled in its duties and limited, along with the State Budget Office, to the consideration of now 30% of our state-collected public funds shall be expended.

Crawford County

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Gothro, Hayes, Tufts, Are Council Victors

Republicans Receive County Votes

Two New Members Elected To The County Board Of Supervisors

Frederic Vote Biggest In Past 20 Years

The township votes throughout the County assured all Republican candidates on the State ticket of carrying Crawford County, while in two townships new Supervisors were named to the County Board.

Frederic Township, which had the only open race for township offices, turned out 217 people to vote. It is the largest vote in Frederic Township in the last 20 years, it is said.

Grayling Township named Paul Feldhauser as its Supervisor, as the incumbent, Leo Isenhauer, did not stand for re-election. Lovells Township elected William T. Miller to the County Board of Supervisors to replace incumbent Austin Scott, who did not run for another term.

Frederic elected incumbent Ray Murphy, who received 111 votes to Morden Post's 66. Roy Lance, who ran for the office on stickers, received 34 ballots. Percy Harner was renamed Clerk and Charles Craven, Treasurer. Sidney Barber and Harry Higgins were elected Justices and Erv Roe as a member of the Board of Review.

Ray Doby was renamed Clerk in Lovells Township and Edith Hartman was elected Treasurer. Paul Loeffler and Clarence Stillwagon were named as Justices and Robert Steckling and B. J. Mundt to the Board of Review. Harry Glasser, Eyre Middleton, Charles Kellogg and Joe Gardopas were named Constables.

South Branch Township voters renamed their entire slate of township officers with the exception of Clerk, with Dorothy Funchs replacing John Fletcher who did not seek re-election.

Dan Babbitt was renamed Clerk and John Stephan, Treasurer, in Grayling Township. Earl Decker and Van Smith were elected Justices, with Ralph Hanna as a member of the Board of Review. Wellman Vallad and Gerald Larke were named Constables, and Earl Isenhauer as Highway Commissioner.

Archie Howse was renamed Supervisor of Maple Forest Township, with Martha Peterson as

Clerk and Pearl Babbitt as Treasurer. Stanley Hummel and Ernest Lozon were named as Justices, with Henry Smith elected to fill a two-year vacancy in the same office. J. W. Smith was elected a member of the Board of Review, and Harold Babbitt as Highway Commissioner.

Beaver Creek Township returned Frank Millikin to the Board of Supervisors and George Wolf as Clerk. Clarence Small was named Treasurer and Fred Ferguson and Herbert Vincent as Justices. William Ferguson was elected as a member of the Board of Review, and Andie Nelson was elected to the same Board to fill a vacancy.

Beaver Creek voters passed an amendment by a 22 to 14 vote, it was unofficially reported, that permits the sale of spirits in addition to beer and wine for consumption on the premises within the confines of the township.

Republican candidates on the State ticket received just over 200 votes straight down the ticket from the township votes, while the Democratic candidates were only able to muster an average of about 100 from the same electorate. The picture was the same in the Non-Partisan race, with Carr, Butzel and Dethmers receiving another majority from the county to go with their lead piled up in Grayling. The entire vote in the County and City gave Proposal Number 1 a favorable vote of 255 to 156. Proposal Number 2 was defeated by a 193 vote to 177.

LIONS CLUB NEWS

At the last meeting of the Lions Club, held at the Grayling Restaurant Thursday evening, April 3, Mrs. Matilda Foley Bishop gave a splendid and very interesting talk on Panama, the Central American countries and Mexico.

Sara, Rose and Tommy Dutton are spending their Easter vacation in Saginaw, visiting relatives. Julie Ann Marshall is spending the Easter vacation with her cousins, Joan and Charles Garland, near Higgins Lake.

Mrs. Melvin Marshall has received word from her sister, Miss Lillian Fitch of Flint, that she was one of the flood victims and had to be evacuated from her home.

Plan Huge Oil Lease Sale, May 1-2

The biggest sale of oil lease rights on state-owned lands since September, 1944, has been tentatively scheduled for May 1 and 2, if the Conservation Commission at its April 15 meeting approves auctioning the acreage applied for.

The commission will consider oil operators' applications for leasing a total of 50,000 acres, all wildcat lands. Lands applied for are located in Newaygo, Oceana, Allegan, Arenac, Bay, Crawford, Gladwin, Isabella, Iosco, Lake, Mason, Mecosta, Midland, Missaukee, Osceola, Ogemaw, Roscommon, Tuscola and Wexford counties.

Spring Sport Program Started

The Spring sports program of baseball and track was started under way last week at Grayling High School when 35 boys signed up for baseball and 26 for the track team which will be a new sport added to the program this year.

Among the signers for baseball are five former letter winners in the sport: Carlson, Keway, Grimstad, R. Miller and Bielski. Five last year letter winners were lost by graduation. Bennett, H. Miller and Muir, all battery men, came from the infield and Mathewson from the outfield were all lost to the squad via the sheepskin trail.

The track team will be a new venture, with the exception of Phil Keway, who placed first in the 440-yard dash at the Conference meet last Spring. Ted Bennett captured second in both the 100-yard dash and the broad jump in the same meet. They were the only Green Wave entrants at the meet.

Hold Services For Former Grayling Resident

Funeral services are to be held, April 10, at 2 p. m. at the Congregational Church in Roscommon, for Mrs. Rupert Pearsall, 36, who passed away at her home in that city on Monday, April 7. The Rev. Warke is to officiate.

Before her marriage, Mrs. Pearsall was Helen Sorenson, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Sorenson, and was a former Grayling resident.

Surviving are her husband, six children, a brother, Marius Sorenson, of Chicago; and two sisters, Mrs. Louise Hodgson and Mrs. Martha Neurenberg, both of Port Huron.

Drive Chairman Thanks Public

Campaign Chairman J. Glen Day of the 1947 drive for the Crawford County Red Cross Chapter was profuse in his thanks to the people of Crawford County for their generosity and for the nice way they received the Drive workers, as the final tabulation of contributions to the year's campaign was released for publication.

Chairman Day also thanked the various chairmen and workers for their work and interest in the recent drive for funds for the coming year.

The campaign was well sustained by contributions from summer residents of the community, who participated to the extent of over 20 percent of the total contributed, Chairman Day pointed out.

Among those summer residents and other mail contributors to this year's fund were: George E. Brandt, H. C. Hirschfield, E. M. Mollie Michelson, A. S. Albright, Louis Meisel, Mrs. Kata Wolff, Charles N. Miller, H. S. Oaks, A. H. Wetz, Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley, Mrs. Helen Marshall, Julia Pochelon, Harry Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Massett, Frank A. Wetsman, Edward Meyers, Mrs. Helen B. Routier, Roy O. Woodruff, R. G. Vandercook, Standard Oil Company, T. W. Hanson and George M. Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bovee of Walled Lake were week-end guests at the home of Mrs. Bovee's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christenson.

Miss Mary Jane Carlson of Roscommon visited her cousin, Donna Carlson, Monday and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou McGreeley have returned to their home in Gladwin (Wednesday) after visiting Rev. Davis.

The Polish Motor Sales will be closed all day Thursday in memory of the founder of the Ford Motor Company, Henry Ford.

Kiwanis Club Notes

The Kiwanis Club of Grayling voted at their regular weekly meeting, Monday evening, to continue with evening meetings instead of Wednesday noons, as had been the policy. Following a 60-day trial of evening meetings, the attendance improved so rapidly and members were so much more satisfied that the club will continue with the Monday night sessions.

As part of the last meeting's program, Mayor Burke, who served as chairman of the Crawford March of Dimes, presented a gold wrist watch valued at \$100 to Thomas Stancil, local theatre manager, as the national prize for the third greatest increase in the United States for collections toward the drive in theatres.

Frank Davis, EMTA secretary-manager, was also a guest of the club and spoke briefly on a meeting to be held at Mio on April 22 to discuss the feasibility of a National Canoe Race from Grayling to Oscoda on the AuSable River sometime this summer.

Plans for the Kiwanis old-fashioned square dance and box social to be held Saturday night, April 19, were whipped into shape and it was announced by the music committee that the nationally-famous Michigan Lumberjacks will play and entertain.

This is the group that played two nine-day stands this spring at Indianapolis and Buffalo. It is the group that recently entertained the Boulevard Shriners at the Fisher Building, Detroit.

The musical talent of the Lumberjacks orchestra will be at the Kiwanis party. A key-man in this group is Leon May, camp cook from Star City, La. May is a versatile musician and entertainer. Furthermore, he is one of the best callers in the Northwest. The fiddler is Ernie Losey, formerly a lumberjack, from Thompsonville. Losey rates with the best woods fiddlers in the country. The bass is furnished by "Red" Morey, a younger lumberjack from Thunder Bay region. Just which of the guitar players will come, Dr. Beck did not say. It is Dr. Beck, who recently entertained in Grayling, who has charge of this group and who will be present in person to handle the floor show. Leon May will handle the dance program.

To Screen Scientific Film

Vivid full-color scenes from astronomy and natural science are featured in "The God of Creation", sound motion picture, to be shown at 8:00 p. m., Saturday (April 12) at the Northland Youth Rally, in the Grayling High School Auditorium, according to the Rev. Floyd D. Barnes.

Produced in Moody Institute of Science, West Coast department of Moody Bible Institute, by Irwin A. Moon, S.C.D., "The God of Creation" is the second in a series of evangelistic films. The first, by Dr. Moon, "They Live Forever", had a large showing in all parts of the country.

In the opening section of "The God of Creation", the audience takes a trip to the stars by means of solar photographs taken through the giant 100-inch telescope of Mt. Wilson Observatory in Southern California, and views complex gyrations of our solar system.

Lapse-time photography is utilized to demonstrate the beauties of natural science. The illusion of flower buds developing into full-blown blossoms in a few seconds is created through this time-compressing photo technique. The metamorphosis of a caterpillar through the various stages from worm to butterfly, and pollination of flowers are seen on the screen in full color.

Believed to be the first of their kind are the natural-color pictures of photosynthesis, the mysterious food-manufacturing process resulting from the action of sunlight on green leaves.

Through photomicrography the audience peers into the microscopic world of a drop of water and observes the complexity of tiny organisms, enlarged more than a million times.

Plan Civil Service Examination Here

A civil service examination for the position of clerk-carrier at the Grayling Post Office will be held at the Grayling High School on the afternoon of April 26, it has been announced.

Eight applications have already been received for the examination. Four of these are from wartime appointed personnel at the local post office. Resulting from the examination will be the appointment of a regular city mail carrier, an auxiliary carrier, and a substitute office clerk.

Frank Serven attended the funeral of a life-long friend, Perry Bartholomew, in Ohio.

Three Present Incumbents Finish In Last Three Positions

Fourth Veteran Near The Top.

Robert Hayes, Don Gothro and William Tufts were elected as the three new City Councilmen in Monday's election, running far ahead of the incumbents who were out for re-election.

Hayes, a local petroleum products dealer, received 185 votes, to lead the field, with William Tufts, another gas and oil wholesaler and distributor, receiving 180 ballots. Don Gothro, assistant cashier of the Grayling State Savings Bank, won the other Council post with 134 votes.

Clayton McDonnell, partner in the Grayling Flying Service, finished in fourth place with 118 votes. He was closely followed by incumbent Roy Trudgeon, who polled 101 votes. Incumbent Clarence Gross received 91 votes, while incumbent Earl Burns received 74.

The city went quite strongly to the Republican side on the state ballot, electing some by as high a majority as 3 to 1. In the race for University of Michigan Regents, Kenneth Stevens and Joseph Herbert received 181 and 175 respectively, to their Democratic opponents, George Schermerhorn and John Brumm's 69.

Married In Ireland; Daughter Born Here

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Cole of Grayling are the proud parents of a 7-pound, 5-ounce daughter, to be known as Dawn Shirley, born at Mercy Hospital last Friday, April 4.

Of course, having a daughter or son is a high point in one's life, but an every-day occurrence, so far as news is concerned. Mrs. Cole, however, is the former Eileen Spence of Belfast, North Ireland. Dick met her there while in the service in 1943. In May, 1945, they were married in Belfast, and after he arrived home in Michigan in October, 1945, his wife followed about six months later.

Dick is employed by the Parks Division of the Conservation Department, and they took up housekeeping in Traverse City, where he was first stationed. He soon was transferred to the Grayling Winter Sports Area, and they have been Grayling residents for some time.

South Branch

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Legg attended the funeral of Mrs. Nellie Corlis at Kingston, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lelaine are expected home from Florida soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartman were in West Branch, Monday.

Mrs. Lillian Twining has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Selmes for the past week, returning to her home in West Branch, Tuesday.

Mrs. Kate Selmes, who has been living in Pontiac the past winter, has returned to her home on Pontiac Road.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Billman and Harry Davis, who have been wintering in Florida, returned home Monday.

Mrs. George Hayden has been staying with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. DeWitt for the past two weeks.

L. J. Dusenbury and Robert Jensen, of East Lansing, were home over the week-end.

A shower was given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Elden Blumenschein Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Blumenschein.

Frank Forrester, who has been quite ill with the flu, was able to be out Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jensen were in Lansing, Friday.

Mrs. Martha Jensen, R.N., and girl friend, Miss Freda Fry, of Lansing, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jensen.

Mr. and Mrs. John Brunt and Miss Evelyn Cantwell, who have been in Texas for several months, returned home last Thursday.

Mr. Emory of Hollowell has been visiting his sister in California this winter, returning to his home here Thursday.

Misses Betty and Joan Legg are spending their Easter vacation with friends in Birmingham. They were accompanied as far as Pontiac by their mother, Mrs. Luman Legg, and sisters, Barbara Sue and Carol Ann. Mrs. Legg visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Powrie, of Pontiac, over the week-end.

Mrs. Nellie Corlis, mother of William Dusenbury of South Branch Township, died in Caro, Sunday, April 6, of pneumonia, at the age of 89 years, 3 months.

Mrs. Corlis lived with her son William for the past six years, coming here from Kingston, Mich. Mrs. Corlis is survived by two sons, Earl Dusenbury of Pontiac, and William of South Branch; six grandchildren and one brother, George Vorhes, of South Branch.

Mrs. Corlis was buried from the Carr Funeral Home at Kingston, Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Hubbard of the Baptist Church officiated. Interment in the Kingston Cemetery.

and 76. Eugene B. Elliot received 287 votes for Superintendent of Public Instruction, to George Montgomery, the Dem's candidate's 198. In the member of the State Board of Education race, GOP's Louise Durham received 190 to the 65 for the Democratic Victor Targanski. Ellsworth More and Clark Brody received 175 and 174 votes respectively for the State Board of Agriculture, to the Democratic candidates, George Stevens and William Lamoreaux's 74 and 69. Frank Bond received 224 votes for County School Commissioner, while Clayton McDonnell was given a vote for the office on the Democratic ticket. Leland Carr received 205 votes and Henry Butzel, 129, to win Supreme Court seats from Edward Kane and Patrick Nerney, who received 53 and 26 votes respectively. John Dethmers received 144 votes to his opponent, Maurice Trapp's 42 to fill a Supreme Court vacancy. Circuit Judge John Shaffer received 216 votes and Probate Judge Ray Clement 201 votes. Both ran unopposed.

The city voters also okayed both state proposals, the first to eliminate primary elections when there is no opposition, by a 125 to 78 vote. The second, proposal, which affected real estate holdings by corporations in cities of over 5,000 population, was given a 98 yes vote to a negative vote of 86.

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CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mrs. Robert Jackson and son Kenneth and his wife and son David attended the Golden Wedding celebration of Mrs. Robert Jackson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ferguson, in Hillman last Saturday, though the actual anniversary date was April 7.

Nine of the ten children, the oldest 49 and the youngest 30, born to the Fergusons were present, as were many other relatives. The Fergusons have lived on the same farm near Hillman for all fifty years of their wedded life.

Gold paper decorations were used and a five layer cake topped with wedding bells and decorated with yellow roses and gold leaves, graced the refreshment table.

Flash pictures were taken of the group. A merry time was had by all, and, of course, the Fergusons received many lovely gifts, floral offerings and gifts of money.

Announce Low Bidder On County Bridges

Low bidders on 18 state trunkline projects, nine county road construction projects and 12 gravel resurfacing jobs on "Upper Peninsula state trunklines are announced by Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler. The total of the construction bids is \$2,693,213.63, the second largest letting held by the Highway Department since before World War II. The total of the gravel bids was \$336,142.50, and includes furnishing material and placing it on the road.

As soon as Public Roads Administration of the construction bids is received, contracts will be let and work started. In the last 12 months the Highway Department has taken bids on work that will cost some \$86,000,000 when completed.

The bids for one 45-foot span and one 50-foot span bridge on the Grayling-Fairview Road, one a half mile north-east and the other 18 miles north-east of Grayling, were awarded to the William M. Couper Company of Ann Arbor for a bid of \$66,391.20. The structural steel of the two bridges will be furnished by the Ueager Bridge and Culvert Company of Port Huron, who bid \$5,022.00.

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WHAT - WHERE - WHEN

April 10—Lions Charter Night Banquet

April 10—Nurses' Home, Hospital Aid

April 11—1:00 p. m., Potluck M. Church Ladies' Aid

April 12—High School Auditorium, 8 p. m., Dr. Irwin A. Moon of the Moody Bible Institute presenting a color and sound film, "The God of Creation"

April 14—Grayling District Nurses Association Meeting, 8:00 p. m., at Nurses Home.

April 16—Michelson Memorial Church—Family Night potluck dinner and Sunday School Achievement Display

April 17—Mother Soton Circle Card Party

April 17—American Legion Hall, at 7:30 p. m.—Men's Bowling League Banquet

April 18—Vern's AuSable River Inn—Kiwanis Party

April 23—Mother Soton Circle meeting

April 23—High School—P. T. A. meeting

GRAND TOTAL

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WANTED TO RENT—Cottage at Lake Margrethe to accommodate five. July or August, 2 to 4 weeks. Write R. E. MacDonald, 8563 Ohio St., Detroit 4, Mich. 3-10

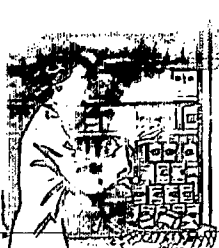
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Helen Corwin, R. N., School Nurse.

Lovells Notes

Mr. and Mrs. John Haefka of Midland, Mich., spent Easter with relatives in Lovells.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hirschfield of Bay City spent Easter week-end at his lodge on the North Branch. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson of Midland spent a few days at their cabin. The Robinsons spent the winter in Florida and occupy their cabin here on the river most of the summer.

Mrs. Brammer returned to her home last week after a two weeks' visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Hartman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Spaulding were Lovells callers Friday, and expect to return to Lovells in a few days. They have spent the winter in Harrison. Due to the heavy snow, they have been unable to drive in to their cabin.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Brandt of Midland spent a few days at their cabin on the North Branch. They belong to the Midland Club. The Cheerful Givers Club enjoyed last Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Edith Spaulding. Mrs. Anna Clark's birthday was observed.

A number enjoyed the Pedro party Saturday night at the Patrick Hotel.

Margie Caid spent Easter with her parents, returning to Bay City Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Stillwagon and family enjoyed Easter dinner with relatives in Lovells.

Wm. Miller returned from Detroit, where he went for a check-up.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hoy and children, of Saginaw, enjoyed Easter with Mrs. Hoy's parents, the B. J. Mundts.

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attacked by some of the metropolitan newspapers, which claimed that the boys from the Jack-pine country were making another attempt to take millions of dollars away from the poor city motorists, who, in their opinion, have to pay most of the taxes. As usual, the cities are dissatisfied with the allocation and are plotting to kill the bill unless they can get a bigger cut. Their attempt to send the bill to the House Taxation Committee failed. A bill to provide for a 3-cent tax on Diesel Motor Fuel when used on highways has also been introduced.

The Committee on Fish and Fisheries has been very busy in the last two weeks considering the bills that would change the sport fishing laws as well as those pertaining to commercial fishing. Controversy in the sport fishing bill is centered on the proposed changes in license fees. While it is agreed that there must be some increase, it is as yet too early to tell what the changes will be. There will be some debate and many changes before the bills get through both houses.

A public hearing was held for the benefit of commercial fishermen for the purpose of considering changes to the act regulating Great Lakes fisheries. The proposal to limit trap nets to fifty (50) feet of water instead of 80

feet found little support. The House concurrent resolution was adopted by both House and Senate ratifying an amendment to the Federal Constitution, which would prohibit any person from being President more than twice, and would bar any person serving two years of a term to which someone else was elected from being elected more than once. Such an amendment, when ratified by three-fourths of the State Legislature, will prohibit any person from ever again serving more than 10 years as President of the United States.

The Senate and House have passed and sent to the Governor, a bill providing a formula for division of state tax revenues so that the newly incorporated cities from parts of a township or townships, would be given their fair share of the tax revenues.

We passed and transmitted to the Senate, the bill which would permit licensing of veterans, regardless of population quotas, who sold their liquor business upon entering the service.

The House passed and returned to the Senate, the State Planning Commission. It provides that all unused funds be returned to the General Fund. This move was recommended by Governor Sigler as a step forward to setting up an Economic Planning Commission.

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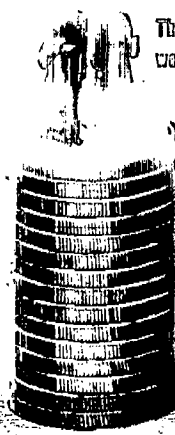
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What About This Year?

It is estimated that the return for 1947, even with the recent freight rate increase, will be only about half the 6% minimum return required to provide the improvements and service needed. This will be because of increased costs of materials and supplies; because certain wage increases granted in 1946

were in effect for only part of 1946 but will be in effect for all of 1947; because of increased special payroll taxes on railroads; and because of a decline in passenger business.

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Grayling, Michigan, Thursday, April 10, 1947.

A Cruel Crime . . .

The letter to the Editor from Miss Martin, which was printed last week, brought to the public's eye but one of the many cases of dog-poisoning that have taken place in Grayling during the past few months.

Almost all of these cases have been confined to the north-eastern section of the city, but at any time may spring up like festering sores anywhere in our community. The act of poisoning a dog, or any pet, and the person doing it, are looked down upon by all so-called civilized people.

Almost any dog lover, however, will admit (if he is honest) that when it reaches a point where stray dogs are ranging all over the city in large numbers, they can become a dreadful nuisance. The only trouble seems to be that it is the little unobtrusive pets that pay the penalty.

Whose fault is it that Grayling is blest with twice the number of unlicensed dogs running all over downtown and elsewhere, than most cities? Is a person asking too much when he says: "How come, I pay my dog license, but what do I receive in return other than a small metal tag?"

Shouldn't some of the license fee be used to regulate the dog population of the area? It would curb rabies if it ever broke out here, if a moving population of dogs were controlled to some extent. Also, those people who have taken the law into their own hands by destroying dogs might stop if official action were taken.

If dog owners wish to protect their own pets, it would seem sensible that a demand be made that homeless dogs be taken care of in some humane manner. Not only are so many dogs running the streets unsightly, but they are a constant menace to our deer herd, as any

Conservation field man or sportsman can verify.

This problem needs action NOW by the proper authorities, or one of these poison cases may set off an outside of the law explosion that might prove not only embarrassing but extremely serious. You see, some people really care for their pets.

R. W. S.

Interesting Events In
Grayling 23 Years AgoINTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE
FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 23 YEARS AGO

(APRIL 10, 1924)

Returns from the Michigan presidential election gave Calvin Coolidge the victory over his principal rival, Hiram Johnson, by a comfortable majority. The vote was very light throughout the state.

A play, "Husbands and Wives," was given under the auspices of the Good Fellowship Club.

Miss Mae Richardson of Roscommon visited friends in Grayling Wednesday of last week.

Mrs. Spencer Meistrup of Detroit is visiting her mother, Mrs. Victor Salling, this week.

Mrs. Robert Reagan left Tuesday afternoon to spend a few days visiting her sister, Mrs. Joseph Malenfant, of Mackinaw City.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hoesli returned Friday from Saginaw and Linwood. At the latter place they visited relatives.

Frederic is voting on a \$50,000 bonding issue today with which to build a new school building to replace the one that burned last winter. Interest up to 5 1/2% is authorized.

Last Saturday was Charles Wilbur's birthday and a number of neighbors and friends went to his home to celebrate it.

The O. E. S. spent a pleasant afternoon at the Masonic and O. E. S. rooms Thursday. The affair was given in honor of Mrs. Augusta Smith of Saginaw, Mrs. Anna Hodge of California, and Mrs. Clara Nelson of Royal Oak, who are members and are visiting here.

Mrs. Charles Hewitt and daughter Audrey have been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fletcher, at the Military Reservation.

The Junior Class will give their play, "The Touchdown," at the High School, Friday evening.

Misses Margaret and Laura Larson came down from Johannesburg and visited over Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Fred Larson, at the home of Peter Peterson.

Nels Olson and son George returned Friday morning from Florida, where they had been for several days on business in the interests of the former.

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Hold Class
Cage Tourney

The boys' Junior Class team and the girls' Junior also rule as the two Class Basketball Champs, following the class tournament held at the school last week.

The Junior boys defeated the Senior Class in the finals by a count of 28 to 16, after dropping the Freshmen in the semi-final by a 30 to 20 score. The Seniors advanced to the final by downing the Sophomores, 43 to 24.

The Junior girls team defeated the Freshmen by 12 to 7 in the finals after the Freshmen had defeated the Sophomores in a semi-final, by 18 to 15.

In a Junior High tournament, the 8th Grade boys and the 7th Grade girls defeated their opponents. The boys dropped the 7th Grade by a 28 to 10 score, while the girls won by a 12 to 10 score after three overtime periods.

Following are the box scores for the four championship contests:

High School Boys			
Juniors (28)	FG	FT	Pts.
C. Feldhauser	2	2	6
R. Miller	5	0	10
Bielski	1	0	2
J. Smock	2	0	4
C. Burns	2	2	6
Hanna	0	0	0
Totals	12	4	28

Seniors (16)			
FG	FT	Pts.	
Carlson	1	2	4
Kewey	2	2	6
Goss	2	0	4
H. Miller	0	0	0
Grimstad	0	2	2
Totals	5	6	16

High School Girls			
Juniors (12)	FG	FT	Pts.
J. Thompson	2	0	4
L. Worden	2	0	4
P. Castle	1	0	2
I. Robarge	1	0	2
J. Clough	0	0	0
O. Smith	0	0	0
L. Gildner	0	0	0
Totals	6	0	12

Freshmen (7)			
FG	FT	Pts.	
D. Golnick	1	0	2
P. Mallinger	0	1	1
B. Nelson	2	0	4
M. Gildner	0	0	0
C. Lazarowicz	0	0	0
J. Randolph	0	0	0
B. Clough	0	0	0
Totals	3	1	7

Junior High Boys			
8th Grade (28)	FG	FT	Pts.
R. Niederer	4	0	8
Laurant	0	0	0
Bunker	4	0	8
J. Kolka	2	0	4
C. Schreiber	1	0	2
E. Jehn	1	0	2
J. McClain	2	0	4
M. Marshall	0	0	0
Totals	14	0	28

Junior High Girls			
7th Grade (12)	FG	FT	Pts.
S. Souders	0	0	0
A. Crawford	0	0	0
P. Schmidt	6	0	12
M. Sorenson	0	0	0
C. Selesky	0	0	0
B. McClung	0	0	0
A. Stephan	0	0	0
N. Yoder	0	0	0
Totals	6	0	12

8th Grade (10)			
FG	FT	Pts.	
L. Avery	2	0	4
A. Holm	0	0	0
M. LaMotte	0	0	0
B. Mathewson	0	0	0
P. Failing	3	0	6
G. Larke	0	0	0
J. Simpson	0	0	0
J. Rond	0	0	0
H. Sorenson	0	0	0
Totals	5	0	10

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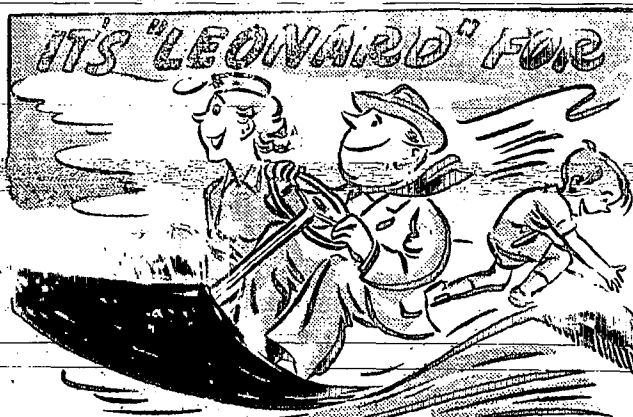
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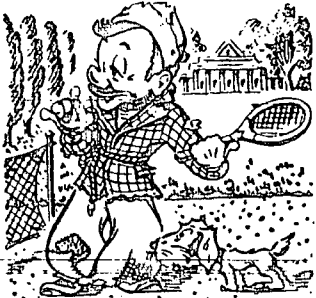
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Water Table Level Still On Decrease

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Geologists of the Conservation Department's Geological Survey, who have more than 10 years' records of ground water levels in the region, say that if heavy precipitation does not occur in April, May and June, low inland lake levels may be expected this summer.

Council Proceedings

March 3, 1947.

Regular meeting. Meeting called to order by Mayor George Burke.

Councilmen present: Burke, Burns, Carlson, Gross, Trudgeon. Absent: None.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bolinger present to request sewer and water main to their property.

Roger Kneff appeared before the Council with the request that the City taxes for 1946 on his property be refunded under the Soldiers' Homestead Exemption Act.

Moved by Trudgeon, supported by Burns, that the City taxes for 1946 on Roger Kneff's property (Lots 11 and 12, Block 21, Roffe's Addition) in the amount of \$22.62

BILLY BRAND



MURDER IN PLAIN SIGHT

By Gerald Brown

"Yes—yes," she said, drowsily. "Awful—for Sybil. Oh, God!" She buried her face in quivering hands. In the silence that followed, McCale heard a soft footfall outside the door. Someone was tiptoeing quickly, furtively, toward the service stairs.

In a flash it came to McCale that during the time he had spent in preparing Miss Bigelow for the coming arrest, his lengthy explanation, his gift of gab—had given someone the needed few minutes to plan escape. For a moment he felt panic, not knowing what to do next, where to turn. Excitement raised the hair on the back of his hands. He controlled himself with a titanic effort of will.

Not stopping to explain to the old lady who sat motionless, he raced out into the hall, threw open the front door. He was in a frenzy. He ran down the front steps into blinding sleet.

For a moment, he was utterly befuddled. Anger mounted in him like a flame—anger at himself. He had lost. He turned to retrace his steps when he heard a sound near him. He looked into the dark wetness and saw a form materialize out of nothing and walk toward the curb. He recognized—the snug-fitting pants, pea jacket and round hat of a sailor.

He stepped up to him quickly, fumbling for a cigarette, and said, "Got a light, buddy?"

A match flared suddenly and McCale looked up, over the flame to stare into the dangerously narrowed blue eyes of Stephen Bigelow.

The man gave a growl, making a quick gesture with his right hand. "I wouldn't do that," McCale said, his voice harsh. "This block is lousy with police. You'd better come quietly. Every one of them has a gun. They've got a bead on you right now. They'll shoot—to kill."

Then Bigelow said, "Not before I get you, they don't." He fumbled in his coat and laughed hysterically.

'I Should Have Noticed That Sailor'

In that instant, McCale's knee came up with all the force he could muster. Bigelow gave a sharp cry of agony and doubled up on the sidewalk, tripping McCale as he went down. It was not until that moment that Rocky loomed up out of the fog.

"Gosh!" McCale heard Rocky say as he gripped the fallen man under the shoulders, bringing him upright. "The Navy! You sure this is the guy, Duke?"

"No less," McCale gingerly felt the wounded arm on which he had fallen. "Mr. Stephen Bigelow in the uniform of Uncle Sam. He joined the navy once—remember?" He must have saved his suit. Oh yes, and his pistol. By the way, see if his black kerchief is missing." It was.

Bigelow mounted the steps between Rocky and the officer. All the fight was gone from him.

A squad car slid up to the curbstone as McCale turned to follow the trio. He walked over to it and opened the door with a flourish.

"Welcome!" He bowed as Donlevy stepped out. "Late as usual, Lieutenant."

Donlevy took over with a brusqueness that was unfamiliar. He herded them all into the library, where an astonished and shaking butler was fussing around Miss Adelaide. She stood, a figure of stone, drained of all animation. Her face was gray against the mantel, anguished.

"Stephen," she said in a murmur that became a cry. The young-old face of Stephen looked half ugly, half despairing in the dim light. There was a haunted look behind his eyes. He wet his lips with the tip of his tongue. Suddenly he slumped into a chair.

"Yes," McCale said. His sophisticated mouth curled in triumph and his tone was brittle. "It was Stephen Bigelow, dressed as a sailor, whom we saw loitering about the entrance to the Common just before the murder. He looked up at the house once, remember? He must have seen us at the bay window of the drawing room, for the next time I noticed him, he was reading a paper, probably to hide his face. When Vallancourt approached the house, he must have come across the street into the shelter of the areaway that goes under the front steps—the service entrance. When Curt was passing, he simply stepped up to him and fired pointblank."

McCale looked at Donlevy and his men, who were grouped over the crestfallen culprit. Donlevy looked up at him. It was so simple, really, now that it was explained. He did say, the ghost of derision on his lips, "Peculiar no one mentioned a sailor hanging around."

"I know," McCale answered bitterly. "My fault entirely. I pride myself on having a photographic mind, and I missed that, too. Men in the service are so common about the streets these days that they go almost unnoticed anywhere. That is where he was so clever. Who would connect a sailor with the Bigelows? One thing I should have seen, though, most certainly, I'll never forgive myself for that."

"What's that?" asked Donlevy. McCale reached out and took the last Stephen Bigelow had

hand. He checked a finger and the thing around like a plate. "Well, I'll be damned," Donlevy exploded.

"I don't blame you. There was chagrin in McCale's tone. "This hat is perfectly round, which identifies it as the type worn a number of years ago. The style was changed about five years ago. The newer ones tilt up in front like a regimental officer's cap without a visor. If I'd only noticed that one thing, I'd have realized the sailor we saw was a phoney." He sighed. "It might have saved a life." He thought of Shari Lynn.

Donlevy cleared his throat. Then there was a rustle of feathers and satin at the door and Victoria whirled in. Her eyes were bright and her make-up stood out in ghastly relief against the paleness of her face. Her fingers jerked to her hair and a shriek died on her lips. Two officers moved forward automatically. She blurted some wild gibberish that foretold rising hysteria; then suddenly was quiet.

"So you did it," she said slowly. "My God, I didn't think you had the guts. You fool, you utter fool. She isn't worth it, you know—not worth it."

Stephen Goes Quietly To Prison

By this time Donlevy was rattled. He moved in on Stephen with a circle of his men. He gave the charge so low it was hardly audible. His voice dropped for an interminable minute before he stepped back. As he did, McCale saw Bigelow's jaw move, his head come up slowly. Three, furtive eyes lit up as he looked away from the group that surrounded him. A single tear ran out of the corner of an eye.

He got to his feet, lowering his head as he slowly turned to take them all in. No one moved toward him. He gave them a contemptuous glare. Finally he turned to Victoria and spoke his last words in their presence.

"You'll tell—Mother?" His voice broke.

She nodded. "Let's go," said Donlevy. They took him away.

They had left the Bigelow house in a storm of questions from the first reporters on the scene, in the din of explosions from photographers' flash bulbs, in the confusion of the comings and goings of officials from police headquarters and the district attorney's office. McCale was looking forward to the peace and quiet of his own apartment.

When they reached it, they found Ann Marriot dozing by the dying fire. She jumped up, smoothing rumpled hair into place.

"Well," she said tartly, "are you all right? Running around like that in your dressing gown. My goodness. That's no way to call on the Beacon Street Bigelows. It's all over, isn't it? It came over the radio about an hour ago. You would have to wrestle with murderers, wouldn't you? You sure you feel all right?" She was trying hard to cover up her concern. She had been worrying about him all evening, afraid that he might seriously harm his injured shoulder.

"I'm all right," McCale said, "but I'm still wet and very, very tired."

"Then you get into dry clothes right away. Rocky, you mix him a highball while I make coffee. While you're getting the liquid inside of you, I want to hear about every thing. If you think I'm going to tuck you in and go home before I get the whole story, you are sadly mistaken. If you will go out chasing a murderer all night with a hole in your side, you'll just have to take the consequences. I'm going to ask questions if I stay here the rest of the night."

"If you keep this up, spending your nights with me the way you have been doing, you'll have to marry me to save my good name."

"Your good name. Tak, tak," she laughed and flounced out the door.

The three of them sat a long time over brandy and hot coffee discussing the case. After a lengthy resumé, they grew silent. McCale finally spoke.

Why Sybil's Life Was Spared

"The maddening thing about it all was the motive, you see. Every one who came under suspicion after Veronica was more or less cleared had a motive. But not different motives—they all had the same one."

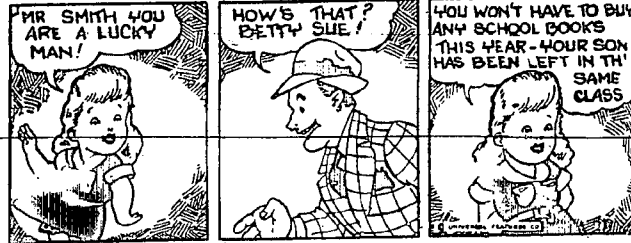
"What do you mean?" Ann asked. "Well, they were all in the plot to get Curt married to Veronica and in charge of the Bigelow millions. Then when it was discovered that he didn't intend to give them a share after all, they all had the same incentive—to keep him from getting control of it. When it was clear that they all wanted him out of the way for the same reason, it became more a matter of seeking out the person with the characteristics most suitable to commit the murder."

"Bright lad," Rocky grinned. "It's a wonder you fumbled as long as you did."

McCale scowled. "Oh, I know the old one about everyone being a potential murderer. I had to nose a little closer to the ground than just accusing one right after the other. Some of them had to have a stronger motive than just money."

Call it jealousy combined with passion. Karan was the "ferocious" one, of course. I think she had the first shot. Stephen did

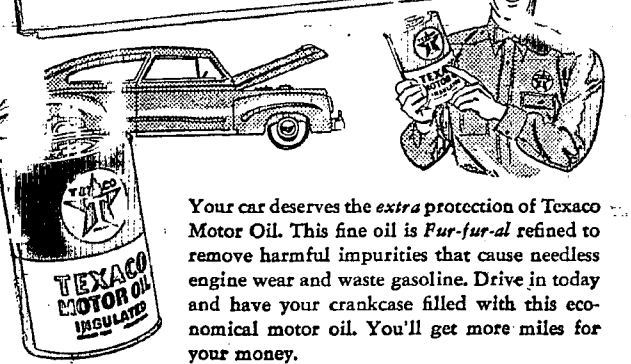
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be refunded.
Yea: Trudgeon, Burns, Burke, Gross, Carlson, Nay: None.
Moved by Gross, supported by Burke, that the contract of Leonard Refineries of Alma, for diesel fuel-oil for the ensuing year be accepted and signed.

Yea: Burke, Gross, Burns, Trudgeon, Carlson, Nay: None.
Moved and supported that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

George A. Granger,
City Clerk.

LEGAL NOTICES STATE OF MICHIGAN The Probate Court for the County of Crawford

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling, in said County, on the 21st day of March, 1947.

Present, Honorable Ray F. Clement, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of Minnie N. Roberts, Deceased.

It appearing to the Court that the time for presentation of the claims against said estate should be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said Court.

It is Ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Court at said Probate Office on or before the 26th day of May, 1947, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once in each week for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Ray F. Clement,
Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy)
Ray F. Clement,
Judge of Probate. 27-3-10-17

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC The City of Grayling Assessment Roll for 1947 will be at the City Office for public inspection from April 7 to April 18, inclusive. George A. Granger, City Clerk. 3-10

NOTICE FOR BIDS Sealed bids will be received by the Crawford County Road Com- mission at their office in the County Garage, Grayling, Michigan, until 10:00 A. M., Monday, April 21, 1947, for furnishing the following equipment:

One (1) Cedar Rapids Jr. Tandem
Gravel Screener and Crusher with
trade in allowance on present
crusher and parts.

One (1) Asphalt Distributor, 1000
gallon capacity, mounted on
owner's truck.

One (1) Motorized Tandem Roller,
5 to 8 ton.

One (1) Tank Car Heater.
All of the above equipment to be
delivered in 30 to 60 days.

The right is reserved to reject
any or all bids and to waive any
defects in the bids.

All proposals to be in sealed en-
velopes plainly marked as to their
contents.

Specifications and further in-
formation may be obtained at the
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Crawford County Road
Commission,
Arthur Feldhauser

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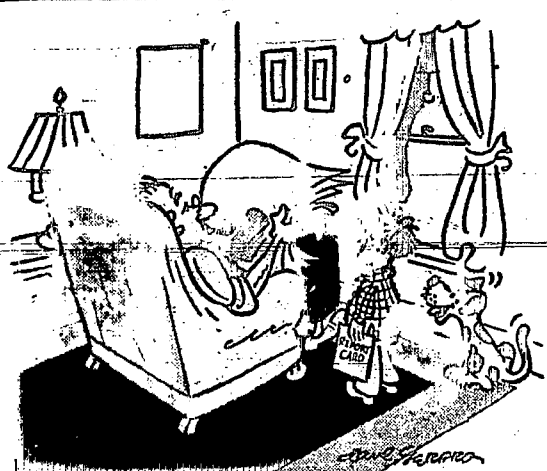
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No more evening office hours
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Bits O' Talk

Colonel Russell Bates arrived in Grayling last Thursday from Hawaii to spend a few days. His

wife joined him here the first of the week. He has been transferred to the First Army and will now be stationed near New York City, after nearly 14 years of foreign service.

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The Ray Skingleys are back at White Pine Haven after spending the winter in Blountstown, Florida.

See the sheerest Nylon Hose on the market at \$2.25 a foot. Mrs. Robert Kline has been a patient at Mercy Hospital.

The Earl Dawsons went to Mt. Pleasant, Wednesday of last week, and their son, Dick, returned home with them to spend the Easter holidays. Gene Quay, a pre-medical student at Central Michigan, accompanied them on their return, en route to visit his parents, the Milford Quays, in Gaylord.

The office of Dr. J. F. Cook will be closed on April 14, 15 and 16, while he is in attendance at the Michigan State Dental Convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Strong and children, Sandy and Bobby, and Miss Irene Goodall spent the week-end in Flint, visiting their parents, the C. J. Elstons and J. E. Strongs. The children remained for a visit.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Johnson returned from their vacation in Mexico and the Southern States on Thursday.

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Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport returned Thursday from their vacation in Florida.

Wilhelm Raab returned from his sojourn in the South on Friday.

Mrs. Katherine Heilbrun and son Philip and Miss Virginia Kraus are spending the week in Detroit visiting their sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Fitzpatrick.

Nylon Hose, knit of Dupont's thinnest Nylon Thread, for \$2.25 a foot.

Mrs. Emma Weiss had as her guest last week, her granddaughter, little Miss Patricia Eden.

Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Phelps and son Richard spent several days in Detroit, the first of last week.

See the Nu-Tone Chime display at B-C-D, on the corner.

Mrs. Ray Clement returned home Sunday from a visit with her parents in Mission, Texas.

Mrs. Lawrence Kallahar is spending the week in Merrill, Michigan, with her husband.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Young and daughter, Patricia, and Sandra, Mrs. Young's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilcox, for Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. James Groulx of Flint spent the week-end with Mrs. Groulx's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wilcox.

See the new Medi-Cross Shoes for children. A to D sizes. At Olson's.

Mrs. John Burke is home from Detroit and spent the week-end with her daughter and family, the Ernest Larsons. Mrs. Larson's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Chic Fox and children of Gaylord were their Easter dinner guests, and Mrs. Burke accompanied them home.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Smith spent Easter with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie Allen, in Traverse City.

George Granger and Menno Corwin spent the week-end at the Canadian Soo.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Granger of Kalkaska spent his birthday anniversary Sunday at the home of his mother, Mrs. Celia Granger.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Madsen of Gaylord spent Sunday with their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Madsen, and daughter Carmen.

New Sweaters and Jackets, made by McGregor, are arriving daily at Olson's.

Mrs. John Madsen of Newberry is visiting Mrs. Marie Hanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Weaver, son Bill and daughter Judith spent the week-end in Battle Creek, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Turner.

The Boy Scout Troop will meet at six o'clock sharp at the Michelson Memorial Church next Monday night. The reason for the early call is because the Troop Leaders wish to hear a talk at the Kiwanis meeting later in the evening by District Scout Executive Kenneth Taylor of Midland.

John Bruun has been released from Mercy Hospital.

The C. C. Williams of Midland are now making their home in Alanson.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barger are calling their new son, Jerold Dudley Barger.

He arrived March 25 and weighed 7 pounds 6 ounces. Mrs. Barger's mother, Mrs. Lawrence Dudley of Toledo, is spending two weeks with her, and Mr. Dudley and Miss Joan Dudley came to spend Easter with the family and to see the little new baby.

Saddle Oxfords for women and children, in all sizes—at Olson's. Mrs. Stanley Stealy, Mrs. Earl Burns and Mrs. Holger Peterson are in attendance at the State Convention of Women's Clubs, held at the Book-Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Edward Myers have returned home after wintering in Coral Gables, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Babbitt and son Jimmy spent the week-end in Flint, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Harmer.

Paul Lovely was here from Midland to spend Sunday and Monday with his mother, Mrs. Paul Lovely.

Bowling Dinner April 17

The Men's Bowling Banquet has been set for Thursday, April 17, at 7:30 p. m., at the Grayling Legion Hall, it is announced. Team members, former members and team sponsors are urged to make note of the date and be there for a fine wind-up of the biggest season the league has enjoyed.

Following are the final standings as league play reached the finish mark:

Team	W	L	Pts.
Ron's Hardware	46	32	63
Green's Tavern	45	33	62
Gierke's Hi-Speed	47	31	61
Hanson's Chevrolet	42	36	58
Altes Lager	42	36	58
Crawford Avalanche	42	36	57
Tuft's Texaco	43	35	56
Jarmin's Insurance	41	37	55
Grayling Restaurant	36	42	48
Spike's Keg O' Nails	35	43	48
Bert's Mobigas	37	41	45
Wade's Cabin Court	32	46	43
Kaiser's Bar	30	48	41
Little George's	28	50	35

Bill Sterling's three-game series of 591 was high for the final week of bowling, but Kolla Failing's 631 series was the season's topper. Roy Milnes rolled a single of 224 to capture the final week's high game, but Al Cherven's 268, rolled some time ago, was the highest game of the year.

Cherven also won the average race with 177, with Roy Milnes second with 171, and Dave Cook third with 170. Harold Jarmin, Al Carrievau and Sam Rasmussen divide 4th with 169 each; Bill Sterling and Carl Nass are tied for 5th with 164 each. Charley Papenfuss, Doc Martzowka and Johnny Johnson ended in a three-way tie for sixth with 163 each; Kolla Failing holds 7th with 162; Larry Gale, house and Chuck DeWaele finished in a dead heat for eighth with 161 each. Herman Bert and E.

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Smith share ninth with 160 each, and Marion Burch was tenth with 159.

Local Boy Assigned To Occupation Group

With the Eighth Army in Korea, Kyushu, Japan, March 21—Pvt. Reginald D. Ashton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Ashton of 404 Chestnut St., Grayling, Michigan, has recently been assigned to the 19th Infantry Regiment, a unit of the 24th Infantry Division, for occupation duty in Japan. The 24th, known also as the "Victory" Division, is now occupying the entire island of Kyushu, southernmost and third largest island of the Japanese home group.

Upon his arrival in the 24th Infantry Division, Ashton found many improvement projects under construction. In an effort to make life overseas equal to that of a soldier stationed in the United States, the "Victory" Division has furnished its men with modern living quarters and the best recreational and amusement facilities available.

Pvt. Ashton entered the Army on September 18, 1946, at Detroit, Michigan. He then went to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, where he received basic training prior to coming to the "Victory" Division.

Beaver Creek

Nettie West, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed West of Roscommon, and Bob Dibble of "Whispering Pines" were married on March 3.

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Bob Ellis and fiancée, Evelyn Brand, of Midland, were visitors at the George Cholo home, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Cholo and the Ora Ingalls were also visitors.

Louis Draves, employed at the William Love Dairy, spent Easter week-end in Midland.

Now that the county road crew has cleared off those high drifts from the roads, the mud leaves many stranded. Two of the trucks from Love's were among them.

Alvin Widger has finally been connected on the electric line.

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LOCAL NEWS

A double baptismal service was held Sunday at St. Mary's Church for Michael Lee Gorman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gorman, and Jerold Dudley Barger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Barger. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hunter were sponsors for the Gorman baby, and Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Gorman for the Barger baby.

Joseph Cinciala drove to Bay City on Sunday, and Mrs. Cinciala, and daughters, who had been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Gatz, returned with him. James McDonnell spent the Easter week-end visiting in Saginaw, Brown City and Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jess Wardlow of Saginaw spent the week-end visiting Mrs. Wardlow's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bigham, and brother Jack, who is in Mercy Hospital. Richard Bielski and John Hanna are spending a short stay in Battle Creek.

Margaret Charron is making a short visit with her father, Albert Charron.

Mr. and Mrs. Aden Bennett and daughter Shirley are spending their Easter vacation in Flint, visiting Mrs. Bennett's parents.

Mrs. Raleigh Howell has returned home from Traverse City, where she has been taking treatments.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hendrickson had as their guests over Easter, their son Paul and his family, of Alpena.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hendrickson, Mrs. Roy Smith and son Jack, motored to Alpena, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis and daughters, Constance and Gwendolyn, Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Reimenschneider motored to Alpena, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. LaVerne Reimenschneider of Spring Arbor are visiting Rev. Davis and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Worden and family, of Brighton, are visiting relatives here.

Robert LaMotte, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert LaMotte, Sr., is a patient at Munson Hospital in Traverse City.

Mrs. Maurice Babbitt had as her guest Saturday, Mrs. John Matthews.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Van Amburg drove to Bay City, Saturday. Kenneth Lazarowicz entertained nine of his friends Friday at a birthday party. Games were played, with Lloyd Felling and Kenneth Lazarowicz winning prizes. Later ice cream, cake, sandwiches, pop, and potato salad were served by Kenneth's mother. He received lovely gifts.

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Twenty-five ladies honored Miss Beatrice Papendick at a miscellaneous shower Monday evening.



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ning at Twin Pine Lodge. Mrs. Leo Lovely, Mrs. Oscar Goss and Mrs. Hurl Deckrow were hostesses for the group.

A color scheme of pink and blue was used. An umbrella of pink and blue was fastened to the wall and from this were streamers to each gift on the table below. Tall pink vases were used, which were tied with blue ribbon bows, and there was a bouquet of pink snapdragons. The bride-to-be's mother presented her with a corsage of American Beauty roses.

Bunco was played and high prize was won by Mrs. Rolla Failing, consolation by Mrs. Hilda Newell, and house prize by Miss Jean Hanover. Wedding bell tapers were used.

Guests were served at little tables. Pink place mats and blue place mats and contrasting pink or blue corsages made the tables attractive, as did the pink tapers on each table. The ladies ate by candle light. Pink and blue cakes and ice cream were served.

The honored guest received many lovely gifts to round out a thoroughly happy evening.

MICHELSON MEMORIAL CHURCH NOTES

April 6 found Michelson Memorial Church School submerged in the excitement and pleasant confusion of celebrating Easter, birthdays and attendance records simultaneously, plus the sheer exuberance that comes to old and young alike when Spring becomes a reality instead of a date in the almanac. The high wind may have wrought havoc with many a careful hair-do, but it had little effect on the spirits of the happy youngsters in their spring clothes and Easter manners.

The primary department celebrated birthdays last week, but the "downstairs" group took advantage of Easter Sunday to sing their congratulations to Ruth Decker, Lee Nolan, Nancy Hilton, Tommie Hilton and Tommie Lamm.

Attendance pins for the month went to Jerry Larson, Joey Robinson, Teddy Horning, Junior Horning, Maryda Stillwagon, Clara Mae Wolcott, Mary Elizabeth Brooks, Philip Postman, Betty Brooks, Judy Freeman, Betty Horning, Connie Millikin, Judy Larson, Larry Andrews, Roger Nelson, Martha Stillwagon, Billy Martin, Billy Schreiber, and Bobby Strong. Also to several third graders whose names are not at this time available, but will be listed next week. The last Sunday of March marked the end of the second quarterly period of the attendance program for the secondary department, and Honor pins were awarded to Nancy Hilton, Jimmie Granger, Joan Andrews, Donna Horning, Sylvia Robertson, Rita Sorenson, Phyllis Randolph, Jimmie Bond, Tommie Hilton, Louise Lutz, Shirlee Saunders, Jeanine Sorenson, and Joan Bond. These awards represent twenty-six weeks' uninterrupted attendance, a very fine record indeed.

Pins were also given to several members who have recently qualified for a first quarter award. The 100% banner for the day was shared by the Fourth, Fifth, Seventh, and Ninth.

April 16 has finally been set as the date for the Church School Achievement Day. There will be a genuine old-fashioned pot-luck supper at 6:30, and all members of the community who are interested in the work of the church school are urged to bring the children and enjoy the fellowship of this Family Night. (Bring your own dishes and silver, too, and sugar for your coffee.) Ruth Decker and Joan Bond are still receiving "white elephants" for the Camp Fund Fish Pond, and Mr. Puffer will accept interesting bibles, hymnals, and other religious articles, for the Bible Exhibit. All the class projects will be on display and a pleasant evening is guaranteed all who attend.

Maple Forest

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richier have moved into their home, the former Fink farm.

Clyde and Henry Smith planned on going to Kalkaska last Friday. The Evening Group of the Home Extension Club met with Mrs. Don Dobson last Tuesday. Mrs. Dobson, Mrs. H. Armstrong and Mrs. S. Hummel served a delicious lunch.

Grace Woodburn spent her Easter vacation with her parents, the William Woodburns, last week.

Gloria Jean Feldhauser spent the holiday week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Feldhauser.

Henry Verlinde is sick. Mrs. Arthur Howse, Mrs. Archie Howse, Mrs. William Woodburn and Mrs. Richard Babbitt attended a District Home Extension meeting at the home of Mr. Barnes in Kalkaska.

Clayton Smith is visiting his father, Herb Smith, who is spending some time at his cabin here.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bearss, who have been visiting the Henry Bearss, have returned to their home in Kent City.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Peterson and children were here for the week-end. They and Mr. and Mrs. U. R. Small, Martha Peterson and Hemming Peterson enjoyed Easter Sunday dinner with the Robert Feldhausers.

The Bert Plaggens of Memphis spent the week-end visiting the

Ivan Hamblin and Leonard Plaggens families.

Emma Jean Owen entertained Jack Mattison over Easter. She has returned to Milwaukee to spend the week with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hummel spent the week-end in Detroit. They experienced a flood while down there, and had to be towed thru the water, deep enough to run into the back of the car—and so were glad to be home to only mud and snow.

The Home Extension Club met last Thursday with Mrs. Archie Howse. Mrs. Henry Smith and Mrs. Clyde Smith furnished a lovely lunch. Grace Woodburn won the contest.

Charles Owen of Detroit spent the week-end here with his wife and children. Mrs. Owen and sons Jack and David returned with him to spend their Easter vacation.

Friends here have received word from Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dennis, who used to reside here, that they now have a place in the country near Oakley, Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Haybell (Frances Plaggens) spent Easter at her sister, Mrs. Ivan Hamblin's.

The Vaughn Weavers went to Buchanan for Easter. After they left, a cabin on their property was damaged by fire when an oil heater exploded.

Mrs. Lucille Urton of Toledo, Ohio, came for Lilla, the little girl the Arthur Howses have been caring for, for some time.

Bob and Charles E. Owen and Ted Baynam went to Gaylord, Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Howse spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Bay City.

Mrs. Henry Smith has been ill with the flu; also their son, Charles, but both are much improved now.

(Too late for last week) Lewis Howse is home from Detroit to stay indefinitely.

Mrs. Richard Babbitt got over to Martha Peterson's last Tuesday for Settlement Board meeting, and couldn't get home until the storm subsided Wednesday night—and then she walked the three miles home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lozon and Archie Lozon spent Sunday afternoon in Grayling.

Lee and Lynn Charron of Frederic spent a few days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Verlinde.

Chester Lozon has a new Ford-Ferguson tractor.

HOME EXTENSION NEWS

County Agricultural Agent and Mrs. Wendell Barnes of Kalkaska entertained 35 ladies last Friday afternoon. The group included County Home Extension officers and representatives from every Home Economics Group in Crawford and Kalkaska counties except one. Miss Ronaker, recently of Kansas but now serving on the Home Extension staff at Michigan State College, was in charge of the meeting. Mrs. Vance, who will assume the duties of District Superintendent for these groups on June 16, was also present.

The meeting was for the purpose of finding out what subjects were of most interest to this locality and planning the projects for the coming year.

Mrs. Barnes served a delicious buffet lunch from a table beautifully arranged and centered with a lovely Easter tree guarded by silver candelabra. She was assisted by Mrs. Ray Diebert of South Boardman. Mrs. Diebert and Mrs. John Mallingier of Grayling poured.

Those attending from Crawford County were Mrs. Emma Howse, Mrs. Lucille Howse, Pearl Babbitt, Grace Woodburn, Ida Papendick, Dorothy Mallingier, Leon Papendick, Lucille Roberts, Jessie Bunker, Zo Borchers and Flora Skingley.

Frederic News

Emil Tahvonen of Grayling is once more a frequent visitor. Howdy, Emil.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Newberry have gone to Independence, Mo., to be gone three weeks.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Earl Confer, April 2, a daughter, who will be known as Wanda Bernice.

Mrs. Pat Burke returned home Saturday from an all-winter visit in Detroit, and then went to Gaylord Sunday for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Archie Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. LeClair of Sarnia, Ontario, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob McGregor of Vanderbilt spent

WANT ADS

NOTICE—We have an opening for a woman of 21 to 35 years to work in our Dairy Bar and Luncheonette. Good opportunity for the right person. Apply at Hunter's Dairy Bar at once. 10

WANTED—Cook and girl to do second work. Write, giving full particulars. Excellent wages. Box 487, Grayling. 10

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO PUBLIC The City Board of Review will be in session on April 21 and 22, at the Grayling Township Hall, during the following hours: 9 a. m. to 12:00 m., and 1:00 p. m. to 5:00 p. m.

George A. Granger, City Clerk. 10-17

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The City of Grayling will sell to the highest bidder the following material:

One 1939 Chevrolet 1/2-Ton Truck. Bids will be received until 5:00 p. m., May 5, 1947.

Truck may be seen on inquiry at the City Office.

The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.

George A. Granger, City Clerk. 10-17-24

Sunday at the parental home, the Lyle Dunclekeys.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Tobin and sons, Billy and Dean, spent Easter in Cheboygan.

Alva Hunt of Detroit was up for Easter. Miss Beverly went back with him for her Easter vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. Ray Van Duiven-dyk have gone to Grand Rapids for the week.

The Fred Crooks are visiting in Flint for a week.

We are sorry to learn of the illness of Mrs. George Lands, of Kalamazoo. She is remembered here as Edna McCullough, forty years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Keeley (nee Connie Charron) of Clarkston spent a day here last week.

Kenneth Burkhardt is sick at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Garver and children, of Detroit, spent Easter here with her parents, the Oles Weavers.

Eileen Madill was 12 years old on April 3, so eleven of her friends came to help her celebrate. Chili was served, also a birthday cake. She received some nice gifts.

Election Day dinner and supper were served by the MOMS, and well attended.

Election returns (unofficial) show the following results: Supervisor, Ray Murphy; Clerk, Percy Harmer; Treasurer, Charles Craven; Justice, 4 years, C. S. Barber; Justice, 2 years, Harry Higgins; Board of Review, Erve Roe.

R. J. Lozon and Jack Bigham, clerk of the Lozon Store, Frederic

are doing a fine job of assisting the veterans in making out their papers for their bonus pay.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Manier visited the R. J. Lozons, Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Lozon tended a Nu-Hue paint me-

at Morley Bros. in Saginaw, T-

day evening.

SEE THE NEW HOT POINT HOME FREEZER

A SQUARE TYPE BOX THAT TAKES UP A MINIMUM OF ROOM.

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Capture food flavor at its peak in your home with this newest of useful appliances.

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Every bite a fresh delight
DATED AND ENCLOSED
MARVEL BREAD 2-lb. loaf 13c
HOME STYLE - SUGARED 2-lb. pkg. 32c
JANE PARKER - CHEF
POTATO CHIPS 6-oz. pkg. 30c
SUNNY HILL - TENDER, CRISP
ANGEL FOOD RING 2-lb. 30c
NEW - COCOANUT JELLY ROLL 2-lb. 32c
FRESH BANANA - 6 1/2 LBS. 20c
LAYER CAKE 2-lb. 20c
MARVEL TASTY DATED
RAISIN BREAD 2-lb. 21c
MARVEL
BUNNED ROLLS 2-lb. 12c
JANE PARKER
CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES 1-lb. pkg. 30c

SEED POTATOES
SEE YOUR A&P MANAGER FOR FULL PARTICULARS

DAIRY FOODS
AMERICAN CHEESE FOOD 2-lb. loaf 90c
ALL BUTTER 1-lb. 44c
MARGARINE 1-lb. 44c
SAVORY SHARP - SLICED 1-lb. 40c
WISCONSIN CHEDDAR CHEESE 1-lb. 57c

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FAMOUS A&P COFFEE
Buy A&P Coffee in the house... have it Custom Ground just right for your coffee-maker... and enjoy the grand flavor that has made this coffee America's most popular by millions of pounds!

Eight O'Clock 1-lb. 39c
Red Circle 1-lb. 41c
Belcar 1-lb. 43c

PANTRY PROVISIONS
Thrifty buys for the budget-wise
SUITABLE CREAMY PEANUT BUTTER 2-lb. 44c
GRADE A Ann Page Ketchup 1-lb. 14c
C. H. HANSTADT OF CHAMPIONS
CUCUMBERS 1-lb. 10c
SALAD DRESSING 2-lb. 14c
ANN PAGE MUSTARD 2-lb. 14c
ANN PAGE - GROUND - PULVER 2-oz. 10c
BLACK PEPPER 2-oz. 10c
SHREDDED WHEAT 1-lb. 10c
CUP OWN - 49 COUNT 1-lb. 10c
TEA BAGS 1-lb. 10c
CHOCOLATE - VANILLA SPARKLE PUDDINGS 2-pkg. 10c
SUNNYFIELD TARTY CORN FLAKES 11-oz. 10c
ANN PAGE - TRAPPIANO TOMATO SOUP 1-lb. 10c
C. H. HANSTADT BAKING POWDER 1-lb. 10c
CORDO - BLENDED CITRUS JUICE 45-oz. 10c
ALL FLAVORS JUNKET 1-lb. 10c
PREPARED ENCORE SPAGHETTI 2-lb. 10c
WHITHOUSE MILK 2-lb. 10c

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LEAN FRESH CHOPPED GROUND BEEF 1-lb. 30c	3 TO 4-LB. AVERAGE STEWING FOWL 1-lb. 45c	PART READY Recessed Fillets 1-lb. 35c
NEW CHUCK CUT BEEF ROAST 1-lb. 40c	COLD PLANTATION SEASONED PORK SAUSAGE 1-lb. 45c	A REAL BUY Pollock Fillets 1-lb. 25c

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